

REMARKS

Claims 1-14, 16-17 and 20 remain in this application. No amendments are made herewith.

Applicants have attached a substitute ADS in which the previously cited priority claims are deleted. Entry of the ADS is requested.

Claim 1-14 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-10 of U.S. Patent no 6,470,277. Applicants have attached herewith a terminal disclaimer. Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.


Claims 16, 17 and 20 have been provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 14-20 and 28-47 of co-pending Application no 10/229,912. Applicants respectfully submit that it is proper to pass the present application to issue, and convert to the provisional rejection to a non-provisional rejection in the co-pending application.

Applicants submit that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a Telephone Conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number AGYT-011CIP2

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